IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.4488 OF 2003
WITH
CIVIL APPLICATION NO.808 of 2003

Mr. Kashinath Sitaram Surwade ... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Maharashtra & Ors. ... Respondents

None for the petitioner.

Mr. R.D. Rane, A.G.P. for the State.

Mr. G.S. Hegde for respondent 2.

Mr. V.M. Joshi for respondents 3 and 4.

CORAM: V.G. PALSHIKAR &
SMT. RANJANA DESAI, JJ.

DATED: 13TH AUGUST, 2004.

P.C.:-

1. This is the writ petition of the year 2003. In order to seek immediate disposal of the pending cases, hearing of the writ petitions pending before this court was spread over two benches and this bench was entrusted the duty to dispose of the writ petitions of the year 2000-2003. Such an arrangement was made for urgent disposal of writ petitions which are pending for years. However, it is noticed that most of the petitions are not being worked out either on account of failure of the counsel for the petitioner to appear or for admission of pleadings.

2. In any event, in this case today when this matter was

called out, none appeared for the petitioner nor was mentioned on behalf of the petitioner by anyone. We had therefore, no option but to dismiss it for want of prosecution.

3. In the event the petitioner makes an application for restoration of the petition, apart from stating the reasons for absence at the time when the matter was called out, the petitioner should also state the manner in which or the reasons for which according to him, the petition even now survives.

4. The petition is accordingly dismissed for want of prosecution.

5. In view of the dismissal of the above writ petition, the civil application does not survive and, disposed of as such.

(V.G. PALSHIKAR, J.)

(SMT. RANJANA DESAI, J.)